

Wolverhampton City Council

# Castlecroft Primary School

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Dear Parents/Carers

## Castlecroft Parent Teacher Association

Many of you will have noted that following the huge success of the Summer Fair (our first since 2019 due to the pandemic) Castlecroft did not have its usual Christmas Fair event or children's discos.

At the end of the last school year, with their children moving on to secondary school, the Parent Teacher (PTA) Committee members stepped away from their roles. I would like to thank them for the role they have played supporting Castlecroft staff and children, providing funding for things our school budget could not cover. Particularly the Summer Fair which raised over £3000.

For those of you new to the school, the PTA is an integral part of the school community. It has been a tremendous source of help and support to the school over the years, both in terms of fundraising and social activities, and assisting at school events and with various projects. The money raised by the PTA has funded ipads in school, which were vital during the recent pandemic. Sports equipment for both PE and afterschool clubs and reading books for the current reading scheme have all been purchased with funds raised by the PTA. Even books from Santa and end of term discos are normally funded and supported by the PTA.

Without an active PTA it is fair to say that there will no longer be an opportunity to raise additional funds to support Castlecroft children with the rich and varied experiences that we have been able to in past years. We will also miss out on the opportunity to bring the whole school community together (as we did in the Summer so successfully) and was so desperately missed during lockdown.

## Relaunch the Castlecroft Parent Teacher Association

To relaunch the PTA, we need a new group of parent and teachers to come forward to help deliver these fantastic events. The Castlecroft Parent Teacher Association is a registered charity and we need a small committee (a chairperson, secretary, and treasurer) to meet requirements of the charity status. We also need support from the wider parent and teacher community to set up a PTA Planning team of both parents/carers and teachers to help come up with ideas and even more volunteers to make those events a real success.

As many of you are working parents or have caring responsibilities, we appreciate the pressures of family and work, and we value any amount of time that you can spare. The more volunteers we have the more we can share the workload.

Are you interested in finding out more? Are you interested in taking on one of the committee member roles or sharing the role? If you are interested in taking any role, please complete the reply slip below with your contact details and an indication of the role you would be willing to take.

We will organise a meeting shortly to elect the formal committee members and start some planning for the Spring and Summer events.

Kindest regards



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